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FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4246

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAN JOSE 2073

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, EFIN, PINT, CS

SUBJECT: VESCO CASE: DOCUMENT RELEASE

REF: STATE 109669

1. REGARDING ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS PROPOSED FOR RELEASE
(PARA 5 REFTEL) WE COMMENT AS FOLLOWS:

A) NO OBJECTION RELEASE SAN JOSE 1842 WITH DELETIONS NOTED
AND SAN JOSE 1812.

B) ONLY ULATE- JOHNSON MEMCON WE HAVE RECORD OF IS DATED
NOV 2. WE HAVE NO RECORD OF ONE DATED OCT 26. WITH
REFERENCE TO NOV 2 MEMCON WE REQUEST NON- RELEASE ON BASIS OF
INFORMATION GIVEN IN CONFIDENCE. ULATE SPOKE TO EMBASSY
OFFICERS ON ASSUMPTION HIS CONVERSATION WAS CONFIDENTIAL
AND LIMITED TO THEM, AND CERTAINLY NOT IN EXPECTATION
THAT IT WOULD BE RELEASED TO ANYONE ELSE. MEMCON ALSO
CONTAINS INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY OTHERS WHO JOINED
CONVERSATION LATER (BUT NOT NOTED IN MEMCON) SUCH AS CHRISTIAN
TATTENBACH. THIS CONFIDENCE MUST BE RESPECTED. (IN
ADDITION, WE MAKE EDITORIAL COMMENT THAT THIS NOT VERY
RELIABLE INFORMATION; ULATE' S COMMENTS ARAMHERESAY IN EVERY
SENSE OF WORD AND COMBINATION OF MOST BLATANT GOSSIP AND
SPECULATION.)

C) NO OBJECTION RELEASE SAN JOSE A-202 OF NOVEMBER 8, 1972
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WITH REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL DELETION OF LAST SENTENCE
ON PAGE 1 BEGINNING: " WITH PUBLICLY- REPORTED...." AND
ENDING: " US\$2.2 MILLION".

2. EMBASSY CONTINUES TO FEEL THAT SAN JOSE 996 AND
A-46 SHOULD BE EXEMPTED ON THE GROUNDS THAT PREJUDICING OUR
POSITION WITH THE GOCR PREJUDICES OUR FROEIGN POLICY. WE ALSO
BELIEVE THAT THE PRINCIPLE OF CONFIDENTIALITY BETWEEN FIELD
POSTS AND THE DEPARTMENT WITH RESPECT TO CANDID SPECULATION
AND SURMISE IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR. I DO NOT KNOW IF THIS
IS A LEGAL GROUND FOR EXEMPTION BUT IT WOULD APPEAR TO
WARRANT CONSIDERING WHETHER A FAIR INTERPRETATION OF THE
INTENT OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDER DOES NOT APPLY HERE.
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